<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the application as indicated hereafter.

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In the Claims:

Claims 1-10 (canceled).

10 11. (original) An interconnect structure, comprising:

a first dielectric layer,

a conducting line disposed on said first dielectric layer,

a first liner layer disposed on surfaces of said first dielectric layer and said conducting line;

a second liner layer disposed on a surface of said first liner; and

a second dielectric layer covering said second liner, said second dielectric layer comprising a contact widow opening therein through said second liner layer and said first liner layer to expose the surface of said conducting line.

- 12. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, wherein said conducting line is formed by stacking a first barrier layer, an Al-dominated metal layer, and a second barrier layer.
 - 13. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 12, wherein each of said first barrier and second barrier layers is a TiN layer or a stacked layer comprising a TiN layer and a Ti layer.
 - 14. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, wherein materials of said first liner layer and said second dielectric layer are the same.
 - 15. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, wherein an etch

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- 16. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, wherein said second dielectric layer includes silicon oxide.
- 17. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, wherein said second liner layer is SiN_x or SiON.
 - 18. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11 further comprising a contact window in said first dielectric layer, said contact window being electrically connected to said conducting line.
 - 19. (original) The interconnect structure of claim 11, further comprising a conducting layer filled into said contact window opening.